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> Meritorious Service Award Frank deLaurentis Chappy Moore

Hank Johns Coach of the Year Award Jay Graber, Allentown High School

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**Presentation of the Scholar-Leader-Athletes** 

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#### Scholar•Leader•Athlete Awards Dinner

### ROBERT F. CASCIOLA DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN AWARD **JEFF PERLMAN**



When you talk about community involvement, Jeff Perlman is a man who is all about it. Whether it be leading Team Borden Perlman in the Oyster Bowl to help raise funds for Breast Cancer awareness or representing the MIDJersey Chamber of Commerce where he is the immediate past Chairperson, Jeff Perlman is a role model that our student-athletes today aspire to emulate. He is has taken the lead in many philanthropic ventures and is a member of one of the Delaware Valley areas enduring family businesses.

One hundred years ago in downtown Trenton, William Borden and George Perlman opened an insurance office. In 1983 Jack Borden and Richard Perlman entered into a joint agreement where they could represent all of their insurance carriers under one roof. By this time, Doug Borden had joined his father Jack and in 1987, Jeff joined his father Richard Perlman to form one of the leading insurance providers in the area. Today Jeff Perlman and Doug Borden are managing partners of Borden Perlman Salisbury and Kelly serving clients in all 48 continental states. More recently, the company has moved

its corporate headquarters to a new location in Ewing and the fourth generation of Perlman's, Jeffs son Jeffrey, a University of Pennsylvania Wharton School graduate, has become the newest Commercial Lines Account Executive.

Jeff is a graduate of Princeton Day School and Bucknell University. He also earned a graduate degree in Insurance and Risk Management from St. John's University and received his Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) degree in 1993. Jeff continues the Borden Perlman legacy by being actively involved in many community activities and has taken the lead with various charities, programs, non-profits and foundations. Currently, he is on the board of the Princeton Area Community Foundation and is the past president of Greenwood House, Home for the Jewish Aged. He has also served on the Board of The College of New Jersey and the Ewing Lawrence Sewerage Authority. He has been an advocate for the Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Football Foundation and the Scholar-Leader-Athlete Scholarship program. Borden



Perlman has been a scholarship sponsor for many years helping to provide opportunities for continuing education.

Jeff Perlman has long been a proponent of safe practices for extracurricular activities for students in our area. A resident of Princeton with his lovely wife Sharon, they are the proud parents of two children, Jeremy and Raquel. A man who is always willing to go the extra mile, the Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Football Foundation is proud to salute Jeff Perlman as our Distinguished American.

#### **Past Distinguished American Award Recipients**

2013 Jesse Armstead 2012 Frank J. Lucchesi 2011 Eric Hamilton 2010 Richard P Lisk 2009 Major General Glenn K. Rieth 2008 Kelly Myers 2007 Chris Vernon 2006 Marc Edenzon 2005 Cathy DiCostanzo 2004 Christy Stephenson 2003 Sen. Peter Inverso 2002 Patrick L. Ryan 2001 Maurice Perilli 2000 Jay Destribats 1999 William Faherty 1998 Thomas Bracken 1997 Win Headley 1996 Tim Losch 1995 Bob Prunetti 1994 Bill Granville 1993 Cosmo Iacavazzi

1992 George Chandler 1991 Alfred Bridges 1990 Eugene A. Renna 1989 Len Rivers 1988 Capt. Harry Masterson 1987 Lawrence Tiihoonen 1986 Albert DiMartin 1985 Robert Casciola 1984 Roy Schleicher 1983 Jake McCandless 1982 Earl H. Dean 1981 William Pierce 1980 Nicholas Gusz 1979 William McGuire 1978 Richard Landis 1977 Sen. Francis McManimon 1976 Royce Flippin 1975 Crosby Copeland 1974 Al Neuschafer

1973 Dr. Joseph Zawadsky
1972 R. Kenneth Fairman
1971 Sen. Richard Coffee
1970 Bert Gulick, Jr.
1969 Robert Cox
1968 James Kerney, Jr Fred Schluter
1967 Don Ehret

#### Scholar•Leader•Athlete Awards Dinner

## CONTRIBUTION TO AMATEUR FOOTBALL JOHN LAW

John Law's love of football started at a very young age.

"I go back to when my father introduced me to the game back when I was about 7," Law said. "He started football at Holy Cross (High School) and I would go to practices and the games and that was when it first really bit me that this was what I wanted to do and be a part of. "

Law played football at Holy Cross and then at Rutgers University, where he was center on the undefeated 1976 squad. After graduating from Rutgers in 1980 he coached for a year at Holy Cross before going into the workforce. But the lure of football never left him and in 1998 he got back into coaching as an assistant at The Hun School, where he has served in a variety of roles including interim head coach, defensive coordinator, offensive and defensive line coach and more. He has also been a defensive coordinator in the annual Delaware Valley Sunshine Football Classic for the last five years.



"I have been fortunate," Law said. "The game has been good to me. I was at Holy Cross and then Rutgers and then went out into the business world and had to leave the game. But I have been fortunate when I got into my own business it allowed me the time to get back into it and I kind of stumbled back into it with (Hun athletic director) Bill Quirk and I talking a number of years ago and I never left."

Law has gotten so much out of football over the years and has always been willing to give back to the game however he can, whether that be coaching in the Sunshine Classic or helping at clinics. He is always ready to lend a hand.

"I think that is a common thread of all of the coaches in the area," Law said. "It all bit us at a very young age and it is something that doesn't go away. That is what makes it fun. I have trouble leaving. There are always other kids living the dream and it was the dream we lived as coaches and as coaches we all want to help them."

Law lives in Yardville with his wife of 33 years, Denise. They have three children - Bridget, Kelly and John III.

#### Past Contribution to Amateur Football Award Recipients

2013	Rob Radice
2012	Rich Fisher
2011	Paul "Bones" Vichrosk
2010	John D. McKenna
2009	Steven J. Timko
2008	Tom Murray
2007	Jim Fisher
2006	Jim Griffin
2005	John Curtis
2004	Steve Gazdek
2003	Vince Reed
2002	Scott Brunner

2001 Sam Jefferis
2000 Troy Vincent
1999 Wes Kirkpatrick
1998 David "Poppy" Sanderson
1997 Ron Rick, Jr.
1996 The Santuzza Oilers
1995 Tony Persichilli
1994 Harley Gaskill/ Fred Stives
1993 Bob Jaroni
1992 Edward Naylor

1991 Roger Hendler
1990 George Sperling
1989 Ed Farley
1988 Burtis "Bunker" Hill
1987 Joseph Fruscione
1986 John Morris
1985 Eric Hamilton
1984 Jack Rafferty
1983 Ron Rick
1982 Harold "Bus" Saidt
1981 Ken Kueffel
1980 George O'Gorman

1979 Ed Cook
1978 Jack Stephan
1977 Steve Muench
1976 Dr. Paul Checbro
1975 Jack Petrone
1974 Fred Holmes
1973 Roy Van Ness
1972 John Gorman
1971 Robert Sinkler
1970 Pete Morgan
1969 Fred Schluter
1968 Ed Zanfrini

## PAST SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Year	Winner	School	College	Award
2013	Nicholas DeMarie	Nottingham	Pennsylvania	\$5,000
			Pennsylvania	
2012	Kurt Frimel	New Egypt	Cornell	\$2,500
2012				
	Niek Delledine	Allentown	US Naval Academy Preparatory School Muhlenberg	\$2,500 \$2,500
2011	Chris Evans	WWP South		\$2,300
2011				
2010			Lafayette	
2010				
2009	Bradford Bormann	Hunterdon Central	Lafayette	\$5,000
			University of Michigan	
	Sean Eccles	Allentown	Ramapo	\$2,500
2008	Anthony Russ	Lawrence	Harvard	\$5,000
	Brian Reilly	Peddie	Harvard	\$2,500
			Williams	
2007			Princeton	
	Andrew Bourassa	Delaware Valley	Cornell	\$2,500
	Eldrad Disharda	WWD South	Lafayette	\$2,000
2006			Albany Williams	
2000	Ioshua Scassero	Florence	Stockton	\$2,000 \$2,000
	Nick Lezvnski	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	\$2,500 \$2,500
2005			Arizona State	
2005			Williams	
			Johns Hopkins	
2004				
			Carnegie Mellon	
	Matthew Ordog	Florence	Muhlenberg	\$2,500
2003			Pennsylvania	
			Wesleyan	
	Brian Waller	Hightstown	Coast Guard	\$2,500
2002	Robert Toresco	Hunterdon Central	Princeton	\$5,000
	Stephen Ordog	Florence	Ursinus	\$3,500
			Hofstra	
2001			Pennsylvania	
2001				
2000	Iason Vida	Pennshury		\$5,000
2000	Ioe Crupi	Hamilton		\$3,500
			Wake Forest	
1999	Brian Lyons	Hamilton	Post Grad	\$5,000
	Isaac Bethea	Trenton	Pennsylvania	\$3,500
			Lafayette	
1998			Duke	
			Lehigh	
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	Don Povia	Nottingham		\$2,500
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			Johns Hopkins	
1994	Anthony Apicelli	Ewing	Princeton	\$5,000
			Johns Hopkins	
			Brown	
1993	Matt Rader	Pennsbury	Duke	\$5,000
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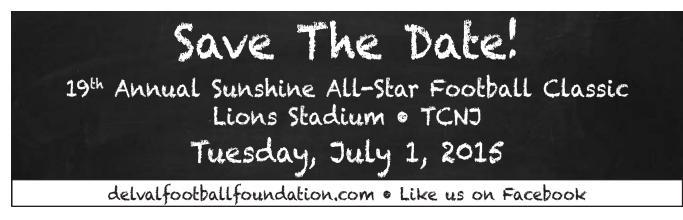
## PAST SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS (CONTINUED)

Year	Winner	School	College	Award
1990		Florence	Rutgers	\$5,000
	Terrance Stokes	Trenton	Pennsylvania	\$2,500
	Ron Duld	Council Rock	Pennsylvania	\$2,500
1989	William Buffaloe	Bishop Egan		\$5.000
	Adam Warcholak	Lawrence	Franklin & Marshall	\$2,500
	James Renna	WWP	Princeton	\$2,500
1988	Scott Schienvar	Hightstown	Washington	\$5,000
	Russell Player	Burlington Twp	Holy Cross	\$2,500
	Tom Falkowski	Allentown	Bucknell	\$2,500
1987	Paul Evans	Hamilton	Pennsylvania	\$5,000
			Virginia Tech	
	Eric Smith	Lawrence	Cornell	\$2,500
1986	John Kleinman	WWP	Lehigh	\$4,000
	Scott Miller	Princeton Day	Brown	\$2,000
	Jesse Klingbiel	Princeton	Bucknell	\$2,000
1985			Princeton	
	CJ Cunningham	Council Rock	Pennsylvania	\$1,000
	Charles McCall	WWP	Pennsylvania	\$1,000
1984	Galen Beske	WWP	Lafayette	\$1,500
	Eric Hovanec	Princeton Day	Princeton	\$750
	David Nitti	Ewing	Villanova	\$750
1983	Ed Hudson	Lawrenceville	Harvard	\$1300
	Mike Schnoering	Nottingham	NJ Tech	\$650
	Darren Doherty	Notre Ďame	Swarthmore	\$650
1982	Nathan Thompson	Lawrence	William & Marry	\$800
	Mike Druckman	WWP	Harvard	\$400
	Richard Guinness	Steinert	Rider	\$400

### **AWARD WINNERS (1962-1981)**

Year	Winner	School	Head Coach
1981	Douglas Paul	Princeton	Bill Cirullo
	Larry Ostema	Lawrenceville	Ken Keuffel
1980		Peddie	
	Mark Tagliaferri	WWP	Tom Stuart
1979	L. Hunninghake	Princeton	Jim Beachell
	John Freda	Princeton Day	Jim Walker
1978	Roncalli-Amici	Peddie	Duke Oxford
	Jeffrey Guzy	WWP	Rex Walker
1977	Donald Gips	Princeton Day	Bob Hoffman
	Joe Garefino	South Hunterdon	Sam Jeffris
1976	Darren Ford	Pennington	Bill Long
	James Annett	Council Rock	Walt Snyder
1975	Mark Blaxhill	Princeton Day	John Boneparth
	Rich Hagen	Hamilton	Bill McEvoy
1974	Wayne Buder	Pennsbury	Chuck Kane
	W. Ellsworth	Princeton Day	John Boneparth
1973	Brian Bestwick	Delhaas	Bob Hart
	David Ballard	Lawrenceville	Ken Keuffel
1972	Harold Brown	Lawrence	Ed Shirk
	Stuart Gordon	Lawrenceville	Ken Keuffel

Year	Winner	School	Head Coach
1971	Andrew Varga	Morrisville	Ray Feldman
	Alan Chalifoux	Hun	David Leete
1970	Richard Ziegler	Hun	David Leete
	Jerome Varcallo	Woodrow Wilson	Lou Sorrentino
1969	Lewis Bowers	Princeton Day	Dan Barren
	James Boyle	Bishop Egan	Dick Bedesem
1968		Hamilton	
	Paul Dahlman	Pennsbury	Ernie Baugher
1967		Princeton	
	Mike Drulis	Notre Dame	Walt Porter
	Robert Krugler	Peddie	Edmund Paul
1966		Bishop Egan	
		Pennington	
1965	James Colbert	Neshaminy	John Petercuskie
		Peddie	
1964		Hun	
1963		Lawrenceville	
1962		Notre Dame	





## HISTORY OF THE DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER'S SCHOLAR-LEADER-ATHLETE AWARDS DINNER

The first Scholar/Athlete dinner hosted by the Delaware Valley chapter was a lot like a small family get-together as a group of prominent area business leaders and sportsmen, brought together by local sportswriter Jimmie McDowell gathered at The Carteret Club in downtown Trenton to honor a high school senior football player who had been even more successful in the classroom.

In 50 years that small gathering to honor Notre Dame High senior Pat Ryan has grown to become the most prestigious football dinner in the Delaware Valley, possibly in the entire Garden State.

No longer is it just one player being saluted and receiving a certificate. Now the Delaware Valley chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame honors graduating senior football players from 30 schools in six Central Jersey counties, each of them receiving at least a \$1,000 scholarship with money raised from various businessmen and women throughout the area.

Just as the great game of football has grown over the last 50 years, so has the Delaware Valley chapter dinner, which awards a scholarship pot of 50,000 - 1 largest in the nation. The chapter is also the oldest in the U.S. with an honor roll of Distinguished American and Contribution to Amateur Football award winners that is a 'Who's Who' of the football world.

Within five years after it was founded the DelVal chapter dinner had grown into a community-wide event that honored athletes from two dozen schools on both sides of the Delaware River and presented its coveted adult awards to political, civic and business leaders in the Trenton area.

Co-sponsored by the Trenton Times and later the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce, the Scholar/Athlete program grew from the cozy surroundings of the Carteret Club to venues like Barrett's El Condado Restaurant in Ewing, the Colonial Firehouse Ballroom in Hamilton and the West Trenton Ballroom Ewing to the Princeton University campus and eventually to the grand ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Princeton.

The tradition of bestowing the Distinguished American Award on prominent area business leaders like Don Ehret, Times publisher James Kerney Jr. and Fred Schluter eventually saw political leaders Sen. Franny McManimon, Mercer County executive Bob Prunetti - a scholar/athlete at Trenton High in 1972 - Sen. Pete Inverso, former Hamilton mayor Maurice Perilli and New Jersey banking legends Bill Faherty, Tom Bracken and Tim Losch headline the top dias.

Educational leaders Dr. Crosby Copeland of the Trenton Public Schools and Al DeMartin of Hamilton, athletic leaders Ken Fairman, Royce Flippin, Jake McCandless and Bob Casciola of Princeton University, Coca Cola president Bill Pearce of Princeton, NJSIAA executives Roy Schleicher and Steve Timko and lifelong football men and prominent coaches Win Headley, Len Rivers and Cosmo Iacavazzi were among the honorees named Distinguished Americans for having taken the lessons learned on the gridiron to become prominent area leaders.

Baseball Hall of Fame sportswriter Harold 'Bus' Saidt of the Times, former NFL stars Troy Vincent (Eagles) and Scott Brunner (Giants), popular area radio sports broadcasters Vince Reed and Roger Hendler, the father-son tandem of Ron Rick and Ron Jr., and local coaching legends Dr. Ken Keufffel (Lawrenceville), Eric Hamilton (College of NJ), Steve Muench (Ewing), Sam Jefferis (South Hunterdon), John Curtis (Princeton) and Jim Griffin (Hightstown) helped add to the DelVal chapter's reputation for saluting the best of the best and continue the reputation the Delaware Valley chapter has always held for being the first - and the most successful - of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame chapters.



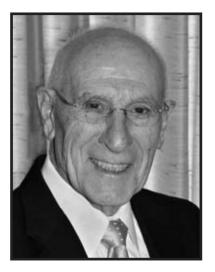
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#### Scholar•Leader•Athlete Awards Dinner

## OFFICIAL EMERITUS **SAM CORTINA**



Sam Cortina graduated Trenton High School in 1943 and during his high school career he played football, he wrestled and was a member of the track and field team.

After high school he served three years in the Coast Guard and upon returning from military service he graduated from Trenton State Teachers College in 1950.

From 1950 until he retired in 1991 Sam was a teacher and principal in the Trenton school system. He was principal at Woodrow Wilson, Monument and Junior 4. Sam was the labor relation's officer for Trenton Board of Education.

Sam began officiating in 1947 becoming certified in 1948 and for 68 years has been a member of the Central Jersey Chapter. He has served as supervisor of cadet training and he has recruited, screened, trained, mentored and guided cadets through ridged certification training. He is also responsible for writing, administering and scoring the state exam required to become a certified high school official in New Jersey.

Serving as a referee, Sam worked with Chuck Schroeder, George Wah and Jack Millard. He worked in the Mercer and Middlesex area and he also worked semi-pro and adult flag football games.

Sam's most memorable game as a referee was the Thanksgiving Day game between Phillipsburg and Easton at Lafayette Stadium before a crowd of 20,000 fans.

He has been a track and field official and cadet trainer for 20 years.

Sam and his wife Gilda have been married 67 years and they have four children, Gary, Greg, Jane and Karen and he is a proud grandfather to seven grandchildren.



**Hello! My name is...** can you identify anyone in this picture?

#### Scholar•Leader•Athlete Awards Dinner

## MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD FRANK DELAURENTIS



Coaching with class. Frank deLaurentis has operated on the sidelines with class since 1975. Starting out at Chenango Valley High School, his career path traveled to Lake Forest Academy in Illinois followed by nine years at The Hill School in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. But he will long be remembered for his time on the gridiron in Hightstown, New Jersey at The Peddie School where he started in the fall of 1996. His stint with the Falcons ended after the 2005 season when Coach d stepped down and became the D-coordinator with Geoff Harlan for 3 years. However, in 2009 the call to the bullpen was made and he was asked to return as Head Coach, where he again led the Peddie football program until announcing his retirement at the conclusion of the 2014 season.

His tenure has included consecutive winning seasons of 6-2, 5-3 and 8-1 from 1999 through 2001. Peddie captured Mid-Atlantic Prep League bragging rights in 2001 with a perfect 5-0 record and Coach deLaurentis (little d big L) earning the Hank Johns Coach of the Year Award from the Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Football Foundation. He also received Coach of the Year honors from both the Trentonian and The Times for his efforts. However, his best work may have been during his second tour of duty. While

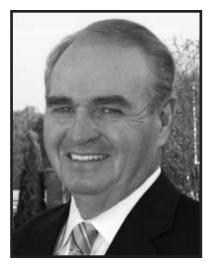
2009 saw two excruciating losses in the final minute, the pain was eased tremendously when Peddie upset Blair with a thrilling 23-20 win in the season finale. Coupled with a win over Lawrenceville, Coach deLaurentis' squad brought home the coveted Big Three Trophy, a three way competition between Peddie, Blair and Lawrenceville.

But more importantly, the example that Coach d has been for many players not only at Peddie but also for the many players he has coached working as an assistant in the annual Sunshine Classic All-Star football game for the past 12 years. He will continue to work in the math department at Peddie and watch the next deLaurentis coaching legend, his daughter Julie, coach field hockey and softball at the Hill School while serving as Assistant Athletic Director. People like Frank deLaurentis don't come along every year. And when they step aside, they are very much appreciated.

## **CHARLES "CHAPPY" MOORE**

Meritorious Service doesn't seem to say enough when talking about a coaching career that lasted for 34 years. For Coach Charles "Chappy" Moore, even with a 6 year "time-out" during his time at Notre Dame High School, the time on the sideline at ND will long be remembered. When he took over the Fighting Irish football program in 1976, coming to Mercer County from Cardinal O'Hara in Pennsylvania, who would have thought that 298 wins, 21 divisional championships and 2 state sectional titles would be on the resume of the recently retired Moore. During this time, many student-athletes would represent Notre Dame and learn from one of the top football coaches in Mercer County history.

He started his career by beating Trenton High on a field goal. From that point on, the program just continued to grow and gain respect, attracting players from not only Mercer County but all over the Delaware Valley. He ended his career on a three game win streak leaving behind many great memories on Father Nolan Field but more importantly, with the respect of the many young men who played for him and the many coaches he coached with and against. He was the man who created the program that coaches were envious of but strived to emulate. He has earned every honor for coaching football that there is, including the Hank Johns Coach of the Year Award in 1976, 1983 and 2009.



Coach Moore leaves "active" duty to continue to give back to our football community by preparing to help his grandson as he begins his football career. So many former ND football players are still active in the game of football in the Delaware Valley, either coaching or involved with the Chapter. Add them to the countless number of successful fathers and businessmen who were graduates of the Irish football program, the mark that Chappy Moore leaves on our football community is one that may never be duplicated. Now the only Coach in his life that controls the game, his wife Elsie makes plans for a permanent transition to the links. While Meritorious Service doesn't say enough, perhaps a collective THANK YOU from the Delaware Valley

#### DYLAN BRZEZINSKI HIGHTSTOWN

Dylan Brzezinski has been a bit of a Renaissance man at Hightstown, both on and off the field. On the field, Dylan was everywhere. As a senior he played tight end, wide receiver, running back, fullback, outside linebacker, and free safety. A three-year starter, Brzezinski was recognized as an Unsung Hero by the Delaware Valley 12th Man TD Club for his versatility and leadership.

Dylan does a bit of everything in the classroom as well, having taken five AP and 15 Honors classes in his tenure at Hightstown. He is a member of the National Mathematics Honor Society, a four-year Honor Roll student, and the 2015 Class Vice President.

"Future success has no limits for Dylan," head coach Richard Nyers said. "He is a young



man who puts his mind to something and gets it done. Although my time with Dylan has been brief, the impression he has made upon me is one that will last a lifetime."

In addition to football, Dylan has been a member of the school's track team and he announces the varsity baseball games as the team manager. He serves as a youth recreation basketball coach and volunteers for the annual Monmouth Junction Fire Department toy drive. Brzezinski is quite talented musically, and loves to play guitar and the piano.

"Dylan's commitment is one our younger players can and have looked up to and admired," Nyers said. "his presence has made a positive and lasting impression on all involved in the football program."

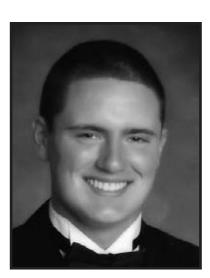
#### JACK CONBOY NOTRE DAME

Chappy Moore, the long time Notre Dame head football coach who is retiring this year, considers Jack Conboy to be the "total package."It's easy to see why.

A two-year starter for the Irish football team, Conboy has had leadership positions in so many activities in the school and the surrounding community.

A member of the National Honor Society and Latin Honor Society, he is a four-year distinguished honor roll student with impeccable credentials.

Jack is the President of the Class of 2015 at Notre Dame and has served as a guide at Back to School Night activities. He is a Peer Leadership tour guide and a Model United Nations student. He is actively involved in campus ministry and has served as a facilitator in the school's Kairos program.





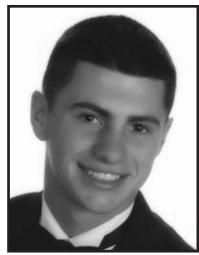
One of three ND players chosen to participate in

the NFL High School Player Development leadership program, Jack was an officer for American Legion New Jersey Boys State and delivered a speech at the NJ State Police Trooper youth week. He participated in the state National Guard Leadership field trip.

Jack started a school team to participate in the Walk for Alzheimer's and is on the executive board of the Catholic Athletes for Christ. He participates in the school's Service Learning Program and volunteers in the after school care program at the Saint Raphael School.

"(Jack) has been a leader in our football program," Notre Dame counselor Sean Clancy said. "Through service, he has organized and implemented his own fundraising events. As a leader, he is President of student government. (Jack) is ready for the next challenge."





#### MICHAEL CURRY ALLENTOWN

Allentown football continues to reach new heights, and continues to do so because of fantastic leaders like Michael Curry.

The Redbirds advanced to their first sectional title game in school history in 2014, and the young man in his first year at quarterback was a major reason why. Michael finished with 1,476 yards rushing, another 1,169 through the air, and accounted for 29 total touchdowns Add in 41 tackles and four INTs as one of the top defensive backs in the area, and it's easy to see why Curry was a first-team, all-Group 3 selection.

Recognized as the Manny Piscopo Player of the Year by the Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Football Foundation, Curry is also an outstanding student and has a schedule loaded with AP and Honors courses. A member of the National Honor Society, as well as the Math and Science National Honor Societies,

Curry has also had his writing published in Impressions Magazine.

"The most impressive thing about Michael," Allentown coach Jay Graber said, "is that if you ask him what his best accomplishment was this season, he'll point out that our team was named Team of the Year by nj.com."

Curry is also active as a leader in the community. He volunteers at CentraState Medical Center and tutors his fellow classmates. Michael worked at a local hospital during the Hurricane Sandy recovery and helped his local middle school build the set for its annual play. He coaches rec basketball in the little spare time he has.



Last summer, Curry gave incoming freshman tours of the school during orientation. Hopefully those young men and women aspire to reach the memorable heights of their tour guide.



#### JAMESON DEMARCO LAWRENCEVILLE

Jameson DeMarco's leadership story at Lawrenceville started in ninth grade when he was denied admission to the prestigious prep school. Faced with two choices, DeMarco took the more challenging one. He worked like crazy, applied again a year later, and became one of the leaders of the Big Red Class of 2015.

It became a pattern. Faced with obstacles, DeMarco overcame them, continued to raise himself to a new level, and demonstrate why he deserves to be considered one of the best of the best.

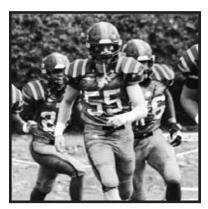
From special teamer as a sophomore, to leading a talented linebacking group as a junior, to doing what was best for the team an moving to the offensive line as a senior – Jameson has found a way to rise to the challenge every year.

It was no different in the classroom, as DeMarco

worked to improve his GPA and SAT and make himself a priority for Williams College, one of the elite academic institutions in America.

"His dedicated commitment to excellence in the classroom and his unselfish and relentless play on the field make it a true pleasure to see this young man grow," Lawrenceville head coach Dan O'Dea said. "We are excited and proud of Jameson as a true example of a leader and a student athlete."

A volunteer for Heart 911 and Homes for Heroes as well as a teacher's aid for the Eden Institute for Autism, it's obvious that Jameson has had an impact outside of school as well. Jameson also volunteered at the Family Preservation Center of Philadelphia, as well as the Martin Luther King Literacy Project.



#### PAT DILLON HAMILTON

One of the unsung heroes on head coach Tom Hoglen's Hamilton squad, Patrick Dillon will be difficult to replace in 2015.

"The goal of every scholar-athlete at Hamilton West is to demonstrate Pride, Tradition, and Excellence on the field and in the classroom," Hoglen said. "Patrick has demonstrated those ideals in both areas exceptionally well."

The team's Most Improved Player as a junior, Patrick was recognized by the 12th Man TD Club as the team's Unsung Hero.

"It was my honor to coach Patrick and I am even more thankful for the effort that he showed to his teammates on a daily basis," Hoglen said.



Patrick has excelled in the classroom with a

schedule full of Advanced Placement and Honors level courses. He is part of the school's Peer Leadership program that helps freshman adjust to lie in a new school. Patrick is a member of the National Honor Society as well as the Italian National Honor Society. He has been recognized by Hamilton West with an academic award each year of high school.

In the community, Patrick has been involved as a volunteer for Relay for Life, the ARC Walk to raise money for brain injury victims, and Special Olympics, where he has helped athletes train for events. Patrick also participates in a Christmas caroling program for local elementary schools.

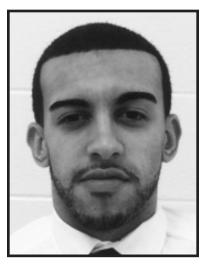
In addition to football, Pat has been a member of the school's varsity lacrosse program and is in the top 10 percent of his graduating class.

#### AARON D'OLEO EWING

There just aren't enough people like Aaron D'Oleo, the kind who truly are able to make everyone else's day better just by being themselves.

"In my personal experience," Ewing head coach Drew Besler said, "he is by far the nicest and most likeable student whom I have ever encountered, and this sentiment is shared by many of the EHS faculty."

Aaron has become a model student during his four years at Ewing High. In addition to his studies, Aaron has been involved in multiple clubs, service organizations, and sports. For three years, Aaron has been involved with the Princeton University Preparatory Program. PUPP is a comprehensive college admissions program which helps students by way of cultural excursions and high curriculum classes.



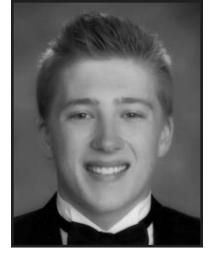


"Aaron enjoys the freedom to learn and create

according to his own style," Besler said, "but is always very respectful to other peoples' perspectives and opinions. A diligent student who possesses a strong intellectual ability, it is Aaron's mature, disciplined nature that keeps him focused in the classroom."

The 2014 winner of the Dr. Gary Keel Scholar-Athlete Award, D'Oleo is a highly respected member of Ewing's Peer Leadership program. He volunteers for the Abundant Life Family Worship Church and has helped at the Special Olympics since he was in ninth grade.

A National Honors Society member, who has taken numerous honors level classes at Ewing High, Aaron is also a member of the school's varsity baseball team and has worked with a catering company, La Promesa Cuisine.





#### BENJAMIN ESPENHORST STEINERT

Steinert head coach Dan Caruso makes his feelings pretty clear when it comes to Ben Espenhorst.

"I have never coached a more trustworthy or more responsible player," Caruso said.

Ben has been a part of, well, pretty much everything at Steinert in his four years. A straight-A student whose schedule is loaded with most of the top courses that the school has to offer, Ben not only serves as captain of the football team, but he has also been the male lead in the school play for the last three years.

He's not only a sectional qualifier for the track and field team, he's also President of the German Club and Vice President of the Class of 2015.

A New Jersey Boys State representative, Ben is part of the Friends of Rachel Club at

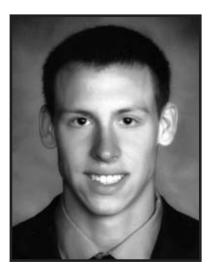
Steinert. In the community, he participates in the Relay For Life, Project Unify, the food drive at St. Gregory the Great church, and is a school library aid.

Ben is also a volunteer for YMCA SKOR Camp as well as Special Olympics. He is a summer camp counselor, birthday party host, and flag football coach for the Hamilton YMCA.

"Ben is very well thought of by his teachers and peers," Caruso said. "You would be hard pressed to find anyone that knows Ben who wouldn't gush over him."

Ben was a second-team, all-division selection in 2014 and was recognized as the team's Rich Fornaro Award winner. A three-time Academic Award winner at the school, Espenhorst was recognized by The Trentonian as one of Mercer County's top students.





#### **TYLER FRAZEE** SOUTH HUNTERDON

Tyler Frazee led the second-smallest school playing football in the state of New Jersey to its best season in over a generation.

But when you play for South Hunterdon it usually means that you wear many hats. So not only did Tyler excel at quarterback – 25 total TDs, 1,637 yards passing and another 917 rushing – but he also was an exceptional strong safety, kicker, and punt returner. A first-team, all-conference selection, Frazee has helped lead the Eagles to an 18-4 record the last two years, including a spot in the Group I Central title game last fall.

"Tyler has distinguished himself as a scholar-athlete at South Hunterdon Regional High School the past four years," head coach Toby Jefferis said. "He is an excellent studentathlete and a great leader both on and off the field."

Tyler has actually lettered in four different sports at South Hunterdon – also achieving recognition in basketball, golf, and baseball. He is a two-year

member of the National Honor Society, a Mini Maxwell award nominee, and he has played trombone in the band for five years.

Tyler coaches quarterbacks in a youth football league, volunteers a a local farm, and has given his time to an annual local fair. He has played four years of travel basketball and cleaned flooded homes in Lambertville after Hurricane Sandy.

"Tyler is undoubtedly a star in all aspects – on the field, at work, in the band, and within the classroom," English teacher Catherine Plecenik said. "He is one of the most self-driven high school students whom I have had the pleasure of teaching."

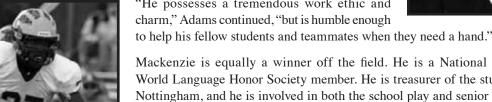


#### **MACKENZIE HENRY** NOTTINGHAM

Mackenzie Henry has been a winner both on and off the field at Nottingham High School.

A three-year starter for a program that broke Mercer County's sectional title drought in 2012 and then qualified for the state playoffs the last two seasons, Henry has done whatever head coach Jon Adams has asked to keep the program among the best in the area.

That's meant time at guard, defensive tackle, special teams, fullback, and anywhere else Coach Adams needed."He has earned the respect of both the student body and staff at Nottingham," Adams said. "Mackenzie is a selfless worker. He has always been a "teamfirst" guy and a young man we have counted on for his play, his outstanding character, and ability to be a great role model for our underclassmen.



"He possesses a tremendous work ethic and charm," Adams continued, "but is humble enough

Mackenzie is equally a winner off the field. He is a National Honor Society and World Language Honor Society member. He is treasurer of the student government at Nottingham, and he is involved in both the school play and senior video. Mackenzie is also a part of Key Club and the Peer Leadership program.

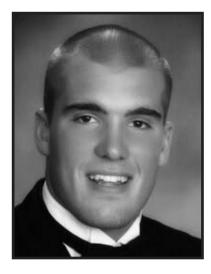
The 2014 Gregory Mehalik Northstar Award winner as the team's most selfless player, Mackenzie was the team captain and he was also named Nottingham's offensive Most Valuable Player. He enjoys music and played the violin for five years and the piano for an additional four.

#### **BRADY HUDIK** BORDENTOWN

Brady Hudik has been a varsity starter since the day he joined the Bordentown football program but the qualities he developed along the journey helped him grow into a tremendous leader.

"Brady has been the model of excellence for what we hope from all members of our program," assistant coach Larry Larned said. "Brady's character, leadership, and work ethic have helped to not only transform the football program, but have developed a previously outstanding 'kid' into an exemplary young man in all facets of his life."

Hudik is an outstanding football player, who was a third-team all-state selection in Group II, as well as an all-area selection by both major Trenton newspapers. But he's an even better student - in the top 10 percent of the senior class at Bordentown.





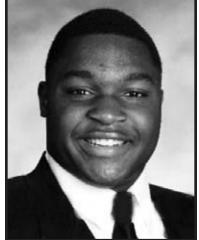
A two-year member of the National Honor Society an an American Legion Boys State

delegate, Brady was also recognized as the Bill Gordon/George Masters Scholar Athlete recipient. Brady helps out with numerous youth groups, including Bordentown's own youth football program.

"Brady's work ethic is unparalleled," head coach Steve Perry said. "He is at every workout session we have and sets the standard for others to follow. He's not only the strongest and biggest player on our team, but he is also athletic enough to run and keep up with the skill position players."

Also active in lacrosse, swimming, and track and field, Brady is a vibrant member of the Bordentown community, volunteering for HomeFront, Special Olympics, and Robbinsville

Lacrosse, as well as helping to form and develop the Bordentown Swim Club.





yards in a season.

#### RYAN McDONALD NORTH HUNTERDON

Marshe Terry has said he never really thought of himself as a Division I athlete, mainly Ryan McDonald became a record setting quarterback in 2014. He became a leader long before that.

"I have always found Ryan to be a committed team member and serious student-athlete," North Hunterdon head coach Jared Mazzetta said. "He is a tremendous role model who excels not only on the football field and basketball court, but more importantly in the classroom. Ryan is an outstanding young man with great character." And now, Ryan is an outstanding young man who owns the North Hunterdon passing record book.

In 2014, McDonald accounted for a school record 20 touchdowns (10 rushing, 10 passing), threw for a school record 1,997 yards, and accumulated a school-record 2,447 yards from scrimmage. Ryan set a North Hunterdon mark with 23 completions in a single game and helped the Lions set school records for most points in a season and most offensive

A National Honor Society member, Ryan is a four-year Academic Society Award winner and four-year Community Service Award winner. McDonald is also a member of the Interact and Able Clubs, Relay for Life, Hoops for Heart, Spike for the Cure, Chem League, Chem League 2, Bio League, and Math League.

"Ryan is an exceptional young man who has demonstrated his commitment to our school and community in many ways," North Hunterdon principal Richard Bergacs said. "He diligently pursues his academics and athletics. He is self-motivated, well disciplined, and remains focused on excellence at all times. The work ethic and depth of effort that he demonstrates in academics, extracurricular activities, and community service are truly remarkable."





#### MATTHEW MOLINEROS LAWRENCE

Matthew Molineros was the ultimate team player for head coach Nathan Jones.

"Matthew was willing to do anything asked of him to help the team be more successful," Jones said. "He was asked to move from fullback this season to play offensive guard, nose guard, and linebacker on defense. Matthew never came off the field and never complained."

His leadership was vital to the future success of the Lawrence program in a 2014 season that saw some obvious rebuilding after the Cardinals went to the 2013 Group III Central title game. Molineros was part of that team too and his experience helped ease the transition for Jones.

A four year track star, Molineros has numerous accomplishments that show his integrity and leadership skills. An honor roll student since

elementary school, Matthew is a member of the

Tri-M music society, currently working on his Eagle Project for Boy Scouts, and is a Chief Master Sergeant in the Civil Air Patrol. He has competed in the National Cadet Competition for his drill team and is ground search and rescue qualified.

"Matthew is highly motivated, mature, respectful, and a tireless worker," Molineros said. "He demonstrates those positive characteristics everywhere he goes."

In addition to football, Molineros runs sprints for winter track and throws the shot put and javelin. Matthew is also an accomplished musician. He has played the saxophone for nine years and is playing first chair in the school's concert band. Additionally, Molineros recently picked up the guitar and has been taking lessons for almost two years.



#### MICHAEL MORGAN FLORENCE

Michael Morgan has accomplished many of his goals in his years at Florence.

Do well in the classroom? Check. First in his class. Ivy League? Check. Accepted into University of Pennsylvania. Play football for the Flashes? Check. Started at center for the 2012 Central Jersey Group I champions.

Lead in the classroom? Check. The senior class president, Michael is ranked No. 1 in the Class of 2015 at Florence, takes numerous Advanced Placement courses, is President of the school's National Honor Society chapter, a New Jersey Boys State Senator, and a Bordentown Elks Club Student of the Month. Not a bad resume at all.

"Michael Morgan is truly a remarkable young man," Florence head coach Joe Frappolli said. "He clearly exemplifies what a scholar-leader-athlete should be and is. With all of



the attributes Michael brings each day to those around him, he has a way of making people feel better about themselves."

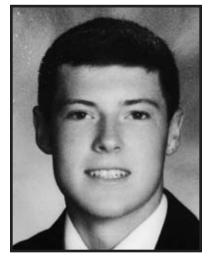
An all-conference lineman on both sides of the ball, Michael has volunteered for the Hamilton Township Library, as well as the American Red Cross, for its annual blood drive. He and fellow senior football players delivered turkeys and boxes of food to needy families in the community as part of the Roebling Elementary Schools Thanksgiving food drive.

"On many occasions," Frappolli said, "Michael would assist our young players and encourage them to hang in there, being positive to them as true team leaders should do. His actions speak volumes of his commitment, dedication, and leadership. He always did what was best for the team."

#### KEVIN MURPHY WW-P NORTH

As quarterback, it is Kevin Murphy's role to make connections all over the field. Fortunately for West Windsor-Plainsboro North head coach Jeff Reilly, there aren't many better. Murphy finished an impressive career for the Northern Knights with almost 5,000 yards through the air and 48 touchdown passes. A two-time, all-WJFL Valley selection at quarterback, Murphy was the 2013 Princeton Packet Player of the Year and a 2014 Maxwell Club Mini Max Award honoree.

But above that, Murphy has demonstrated time and again great leadership qualities for the Northern Knights."Kevin was always one to organize team talks when he knew that the group needed a voice other than the coaches," Reilly said. "His leadership style is one of leading by example to his teammates and being mature enough to speak to a coach on a different level. Players listen to Kevin and coaches love working with him."



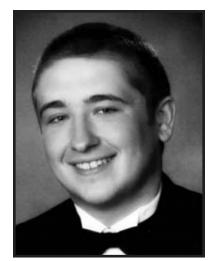


Murphy, a top student at WW-P North, is also a

standout golfer. An all-CVC selection, he plays the No. 1 spot for a loaded North lineup, because of his leadership skills and ability to handle pressure.

A big fan of the New York Giants, Kevin has given back as a coach in the local community. He coaches at the Mercer Oaks Youth Golf Association and also for the West Windsor Wildcats Youth Football program.

"It is a pleasure to have coached Kevin Murphy, but it is an honor to know him and to always cherish the bond we have developed," Reilly said. "Kevin will move on to accomplish so many things in his life, but he will always be remembered for the impact he had at (WW-P) North."





#### JEREMY PETRENKO NEW EGYPT

Jeremy Petrenko is going to be tough to replace at New Egypt High School. Not just as a football player or a baseball player, but also as a leader in the halls.

"As head coach of the New Egypt High School football team, it has been my extreme good fortune to have had Jeremy as a member of our team," head coach Phil McGuane said. "Jeremy has been a leader on and off the playing field, exhibiting a tremendous work ethic in and out of the season. He is honest, hard working, dedicated, and compassionate. As a father of two young boys, I could not be more proud if they grew up to be the young man Jeremy Petrenko is today."

Jeremy is a well rounded young man who has excelled in baseball for New Egypt as well. He is a valued member of the Latin Club and inducted into the National Honor Society.

Jeremy also has a strong sense of community. He was a volunteer coach for the New Egypt T-ball program. In addition, he has lent his time and effort on behalf of the American Cancer Society taking part in the Relay for Life all four years of high school.



A member of the top 10 percent of the Class of 2015 at New Egypt, Jeremy was recognized with the Gene Mosley Coaches Award for his academic prowess. He is co-captain of the South Jersey Iron Pigs travel baseball program, and has competed in the Cooperstown All-Star Village Tournament at the Baseball Hall of Fame.



#### ANDREW SCHOEPFER WW-P SOUTH

Andrew Schoepfer was an ideal captain for West Windsor-Plainsboro South head coach Skip Edwards in 2014.

"Andrew is a leader by example and a player who demonstrates a calm demeanor during practice as well as games," Edwards said. "he is someone the players look up to and seek out for advice in the game of football as well as life itself. He made a great sacrifice by changing his offensive position from quarterback to receiver to help make the team more competitive."

Schoepfer, fittingly, earned a utility spot on the all-WJFL Valley Division squad. On offensive, he lined up as quarterback, split end, flanker, and tight end. On defense, he played linebacker, safety, or defensive back, depending on the matchup. He was also WW-P South's kicker. "Did it all with an unselfish attitude," Edwards added.

A fantastic student who achieved a perfect score on his SAT II Math Level 2 exam, Schoepfer assisted in data entry for a geological research project based at the University of Washington. He is a junior member of the West Windsor Volunteer Fire Company and a volunteer at the West Windsor Library.

Additionally, Andrew coached Pop Warner football, is a four-year varsity lacrosse star, and a member of the Delta Epsilon Phi German Honor Society.

"Andrew is a breath of fresh air," Edwards said. "Both with his intellect and with his humorous side. He is a student who is involved with some prestigious clubs and has given back a great deal to help our youth. He will be a great contributor to our society."



#### MATTHEW SEMPLE HOPEWELL VALLEY

A three-year varsity starter for Hopewell Valley, Matt Semple will be difficult for head coach Dave Caldwell to replace.

"Matt has established himself as a natural leader," said Caldwell, who led the Bulldogs to the 2013 NJSIAA Group III Central championship, with Semple one of the top players in the secondary. "On the football field, Matt's influence on his teammates means the world to me as a coach. Matt consistently provides our team with leadership by his superlative actions and his tremendous work ethic in the classroom and community. Whether the task is specific, general, or pressure-packed, Matt tackles it with a fervor that is worthy of praise."

Much more than just a star football player athletically, Matt was also a two-year stalwart



in the wrestling program and has excelled in the art of Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, having won two first place US Grappling tournament awards.

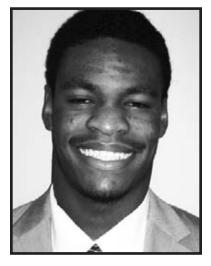
The program's Mark Clements Football Leadership Award winner, Matthew is a member of the school's High honor roll. He is a leader of the Hopewell Valley student section, part of the school's Leadership Corps, a volunteer for Special Olympics, a YMCA summer counselor, and a volunteer for the Miracle League of Mercer County. Matt is also a mentor for the Trenton Big Brother program.

"Matt would be a valuable asset to any organization that associates itself with character and leadership qualities," Caldwell said. "Matt is an extremely motivated, respectful, and warm individual. His character and his personality make working with him a pleasure and a privilege."

#### CHRISTOPHER SHARP HUN

If there's something out there to be done, chances are that Christopher Sharp does it and does it well. "Simply put," Hun head coach Todd Smith said, "Chris Sharp works harder than everyone else all the time. He leads by example and inspires his teammates with his words."

The Burlington native was the most explosive offensive player in Mercer County in 2014. He averaged 13.4 yards a carry and scored 19 touchdowns on the ground. He averaged 25 yards a catch and contributed another four scores through the air. He was the New Jersey Prep Player of the Year, a two-time MAPL first-team selection, and a 2014 Maxwell Club Award finalist. From a dozen FBS offers, Christopher decided to continue his education and football career at the University of Virginia in the fall. "I can tell you without hesitation," Smith said, "that the University of Virginia just got a whole lot better."



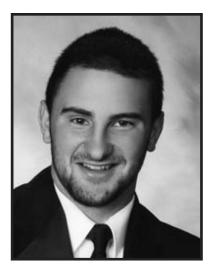


While Chris helped return the MAPL title to Hun

last fall and is an AAU National Champion in track and field, he also has made his mark on the Hun School community.

Sharp is A Better Chance Scholar, a member of the Diversity Club and Sigma Beta Club, part of the Future Leaders of America, and a part of the Phi Beta Sigma community service projects. He is a volunteer for the Burlington Nursing Home and Faith Christian Counseling.

Chris is part of the Red Shield Society at Hun, and served as a proctor at the school in 2013 and 2014. He has participated in the Congressional Youth Leadership Conference and won the Mid-Atlantic Music Teachers' Guild award.





#### SAM SMALLZMAN PRINCETON

It didn't take long for Princeton head coach Charles Gallagher to realize that Sam Smallzman was tough. It was early during Smallzman's time at Princeton, in a September freshman game at Burlington Township.

The Little Tigers weren't all that good and only had 15 guys on the roster for the day and late in the second quarter, Smallzman, the quarterback got hurt pretty seriously. "Coach, I can still play," Smallzman told Gallagher as he came over to the sideline. "Just... please don't call a pass. I can't lift my arm past my shoulder."

Turned out 2014 was a story book season for Princeton and for Smallzman, who missed most of his junior year after tearing his ACL. While their emotional leader still did what he could as an "extra coach" at every practice, the Little Tigers again struggled and finished 0-10.

But 2014 was different. Princeton started strong, finished 8-2, and qualified for the state playoffs. And even with two knees not at 100 percent, Smallzman was back all over the field with over 100 tackles on defense, a game winning interception in the opener, two defensive scores and three more on offense.

A two-year captain headed to the University of Pennsylvania, Smallzman is an Advanced Placement Scholar with honor, a Peer Group Leader, a Princeton Special Sports community service volunteer, and a cellist in the school's repertoire orchestra. He participated in the Model United Nations and served as a co-founder for the Princeton High Iron Club. "If I could mix my son Chase with a little bit of myself and a whole lot of Princeton's own superhero Sam Smallzman, I would do just that," Gallagher said.





#### BRANDON SMITH ROBBINSVILLE

As head coach Andrew Patterson attempts to bring some much needed continuity to the Robbinsville football program, he likely has one wish heading into the 2015 season.

He would most certainly like to clone Brandon Smith.

"I might sound selfish in saying that I do not want Brandon to graduate this year," Patterson said. "His team-first attitude and commitment to hard work this season were second to none. Brandon consistently put the team's needs ahead of his own, which is slowly becoming a rarity in today's society."

Brandon was one of only four graduating seniors to complete a full four years in our program as the Ravens have had four head coaches in three seasons. With numbers down, Patterson needed a leader to help him re-establish Robbinsville football.

"He continually motivated his teammates, leading

by example on and off the field." Patterson said. "He embodies what a true student-athlete is. Brandon walks the walk long before he talks the talk."

Brandon carries a 4.3 weighted GPA and is a naturally gifted student with an affinity for math and science. He is well known for helping his fellow students struggling with material in courses such as AP Calculus BC and Multivariable Calculus. Teachers note his "constant pursuit of knowledge" that allow Brandon to create deeper connections in his understanding, allowing him to excel across all curriculums.

A National Language Honor Society member, Brandon is a volunteer for the Special Olympics, as well as Relay for Life, where he has raised money and spread awareness for numerous types of cancer.

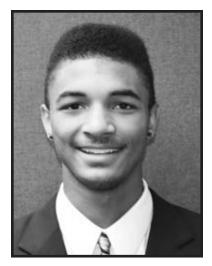


#### MARSHE TERRY NORTHERN BURLINGTON

Marshe Terry has said he never really thought of himself as a Division I athlete, mainly because he never really knew what one looked like. Turns out he just needs to look in the mirror.

The 6-foot-4, 195-pound Terry caught the attention of a number of FBS schools with his all-around athletic skills and impressive frame, before deciding to attend the University of Connecticut, where he will attend in the Fall. The Storrs, Conn., campus will be getting a well-rounded scholar-athlete-leader who made an impact on the Northern Burlington community.

"Marshe is a dedicated, hard working, and determined young man," Northern head coach Jon Reising said. "He excelled on the football field whether it was a crucial block, an





amazing catch, or making a big play defensively. But Marshe was always just as quick to help the

younger players with the nuances of the game and help improve their abilities as athletes."

Marshe was a standout wide receiver but really made a name for himself at safety, where he was a first-team all-conference selection. A two-year varsity captain in basketball, Marshe is a high honor roll student and three time winner of the Presidential Academic Fitness Award.

In the community, Marshe is a volunteer for Children's Special Olympics, a Student LIFE member and part of the teen peer educator program at Northern Burlington, as well as the Future Business Leaders of America. He was an active participant in the school's multicultural day. "Marshe is a creative and imaginative young man with many artistic talents," Reising said.

#### CARSON VEY PEDDIE

Carson Vey has been on this dais before, and so it's no surprise that he is here once again. Vey was recognized by the Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame once already, as its Young Scholar in 2010. He has maintained those high ideals through a challenging course load at The Peddie School. But he has also made a name for himself by being one of the best in the nation at what he does.

Long snapping. That's right, the art of snapping a ball on time and on point to both the place kicker and the punter. Vey is considered one of the top 15 in the nation at this almost impossible to perfect skill. The University of Pennsylvania will be the next to benefit from this often-overlooked-until-it-backfires part of the game.

Vey has been so much more in his years at Peddie, of course, including a standout basketball player, an AP Scholar, a Sports Challenge Leadership Academy participant,

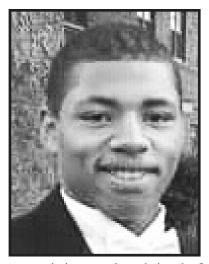


and a member of the National Society of High School scholars.

He is a Peddie Prefect peer leader, part of the school's Gold Key community service organization, and a head tour guide. Carson is also part of the new student orientation team, a co-chairman of the Community Unity Day food drive, and a volunteer for the Hunterdon Outreach Special Needs sports program, among many other organizations. Musically, he participates in three ensembles, including Symphonic Orchestra, Concert band, and Jazz band.

"Carson is one of those students who I will always remember," head coach Frank de Laurentis said. "I will cherish my time working with him."





#### MICHEAL WHITTINGTON TRENTON

Trenton High football continued its resurgence in 2014, with Micheal Whittington a primary reason why.

Whittington was a leader in the field, in the weight room, and in the classroom for head coach Tarig Holman's Tornadoes, as the program won a state playoff game for the first time since 1993. A third-team state Group V selection, Whittington has started on both sides of the ball for Trenton the last three years and was named to the New Jersey Coaches Association Top 100.

"A true student-athlete, Micheal attacked his studies with the same rigor that he prided himself on the gridiron," Holman said. "He is a man of action and integrity who led our

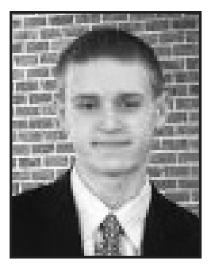
team from the front and by example. He rallied our team to commit to our offseason program by

never missing a workout, being the first one to enter, and the last one to leave."

Ranked No. 2 in his graduating class, Whittington was part of the prestigious Princeton University Preparatory Program. He is a SMILE / Gear UP student and recently won the 195 pound Mercer County wrestling title. He plans to pursue a future in biochemistry and has taken a course load full of Honors and Advanced Placement classes.

"Micheal is a leader among his peers and showcases an ethical fiber that is rarely seen these days in student athletes," Holman said. "His intellectual curiosity, along with his attention to detail while in the classroom, mirror his high expectations and lofty goals that he has set for his future."





#### NATHAN ZAVANELLI PENNINGTON

The top lineman on head coach Jerry Eure's explosive offense, Nathan Zavanelli is well known as one of the premier all around students in Pennington's Class of 2015.

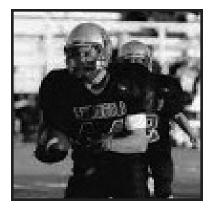
"As one of our captains, he set a high standard for his teammates with his work ethic and gentlemanly conduct," Eure said. "Nathan has earned the respect and admiration of the coaching staff, the players, his teachers, and classmates. He has distinguished himself in so many ways during his years at The Pennington School."

One of those ways is as a student. The inaugural student member of the Pennington School chapter of the Cum Laude Society, Nathan has been honored with the Terry William Weiler '66 Memorial Scholarship and the 2014 Hubert Alyea award for his academic prowess. Zavanelli has been recognized for academic performance in German, science and math.

A member of the German National Honor Society, Nathan has taken numerous Advanced Placement courses at Pennington. He completed an Advanced Research in Molecular Biology Program at Rutgers University, as well as summer internship programs at the University of Pennsylvania and the United States Military Academy.

In the community, Nathan co-organized a charity basketball tournament to benefit Typhoon Haiyan relief efforts and also has given significant hours of his time to help Philabundance. He's a Black Belt in Taekwondo and has won numerous medals as part of a demonstration team.

Nathan is also a triathlete. He has competed in the Run for the Cure and also finished as a silver medalist in his class in the Around Long Island sailing regatta.



## **SELECTION PROCESS**

The name of the young man selected as the top Scholar-Leader-Athlete was not pulled out of a hat. He has gone through a rigorous screening process. His credentials on the field, in the classroom and in the community have been thoroughly scrutinized and discussed many times over by the members of the Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame's Scholarship Committee. The scholarship committee is made up of several members of the Delaware Valley Chapter who have a deep and abiding respect and love for scholastic football.

What the scholarship committee is looking for is someone with:

#### 1. Outstanding academic application and performance – a Scholar

He doesn't necessarily have to be the smartest student in his school, but he should be a good, solid student. He doesn't have to be a "book worm" or even a straight-A student, but he should be studious, persevering, dedicated and have a proper knowledge of what study means to the value of education. He should be a better than average student who is genuinely interested in his studies without a serious subject weakness.

#### 2. Outstanding school leadership and citizenship – a *Leader*

He doesn't necessarily have to be involved in every club or program at his school, but he should have a well-rounded approach to his extracurricular activities. He doesn't have to be the president of his class, but he should be a leader, someone who is looked up to. He doesn't have to be the most popular student in his school, but he should be well-respected by his classmates, teammates and opponents.

#### 3. Outstanding football ability and performance – an Athlete

He doesn't necessarily have to be the best football player in the area, be he should be a good one with a proven record of performance. Ideally, he should be a player who is more concerned with team accomplishments than his personal statistics. He should display courage, persistence and sportsmanship and an overall feeling for the game of football as well as have respect for his coaches, teammates and opponents.

It's the combination of all of these attributes that make the winner, and all the young men honored, a true Scholar-Leader-Athlete.

These young men have excelled for their football teams, in their studies and have demonstrated leadership qualities in their schools and their communities.

The winners are chosen among nominees from public and private schools in the Delaware Valley which encompasses Burlington, Hunterdon, Mercer, Monmouth and Somerset Counties in New Jersey. The athletes are nominated by their football coaches and hare the endorsement of their guidance counselors and principals.

These biographical sketches, because of space limitations, are brief and therefore do not cover all of the qualities of the individual nominees.

This year's group has outstanding classroom averages and each young man has an excellent opportunity to claim the top awards. Their achievements, on and off the field, make for interesting reading.

## EARL H. DEAN SCHOLAR-LEADER-ATHLETE JOE URCIUOLI • JAKE WEISS THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

The 2014 season for TCNJ football produced two worthy recipients of the Earl H. Dean Scholar-Leader-Athlete Award. Seniors **Joe Urciuoli**, from Matawan, NJ and **Jake Weiss**, from Flanders, NJ were both outstanding players for the Lions this past season. Their leadership efforts on the field were rivaled only by their excellence in the classroom and service to the community.



Joe Urciuoli



Urciuoli, who attended Matawan High School and is majoring in Computer Engineering, has made the Dean's List every semester at TCNJ and received the Armstrong Award from the School of Engineering in 2013. He has also served as the president of TCNJ's Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE). Weiss, a product of Mount Olive High School, is majoring in Finance, with a minor in Marketing. He is also a member of the Dean's list and a Merit Scholarship award winner. This past summer, he served an internship with Bayer Healthcare.

On the field for the Lions, Urciuoli was a defensive co-captain and started all 10 games a cornerback, often drawing the assignment to cover the opponent's top receiver. Urciuoli compiled 30 tackles during the season, registered five pass breakups and intercepted a pass against SUNY Cortland. He also had a field goal block against eventual National Champion Wisconsin-Whitewater. Urciuoli started the final 28 games of his career at TCNJ finishing with 77 tackles, 13 pass breakups and two interceptions.

Weiss played in every game during his senior season on the defensive line as a defensive end. He made 22 tackles, five of which were for a loss of 26 yards. Weiss recorded two sacks during the season; dropping the quarterback for an 8-yard loss versus FDU-Florham and registered a sack for a 12 yard loss against William Paterson University on Homecoming.



**Jake Weiss** 



In the community, both Urciuoli and Weiss also made solid contributions as well. Urciuoli was very involved in Project Homecoming-New Orleans, Cupid's Chase and Hurricane Sandy Relief. Weiss performed charitable work for Read Across America, Special Olympics and Hurricane Sandy Relief. Both young men have a bright future ahead after graduation.

	Past Trenton State College/College of New Jersey Scholar-Athletes							
Year	Nominee	Coach		Nominee	Coach		Nominee	Coach
2013	Chris McLaughlin	Wayne Dickens	1999	Richard Falletta	Eric Hamilton	1985	John Papa	Eric Hamilton
2012	Greg Burns	Eric Hamilton	1998	Michael Feeney	Eric Hamilton	1984	Jim Ball	Eric Hamilton
2011	Jay Donoghue	Eric Hamilton		Joe Sciarrone	Eric Hamilton	1983	Bruce Peditto	Eric Hamilton
2010	Andrew Mason	Eric Hamilton	1996	Joe Scaravaglione	Eric Hamilton	1982	Sam Miserendino	Eric Hamilton
2009	Colin Weber	Eric Hamilton	1995	Steve Guidette	Eric Hamilton	1981	James Carvalho	Eric Hamilton
2008	Marc Fabiano	Eric Hamilton	1994	Deote Dienoom	Eric Hamilton	1980	Ron Anello	Eric Hamilton
2007	Dan Dornacker	Eric Hamilton		John Reising		1979	Steve Butfilowski	Eric Hamilton
	Andy Larkin	Eric Hamilton		Tom Maxwell	Eric Hamilton	1978	Tom Hendricks	Eric Hamilton
	Ryan Ross	Eric Hamilton		Corey Landing	Eric Hamilton	1977	Tom Thompson	Eric Hamilton
	Leeaire Brown	Eric Hamilton	1991		Eric Hamilton	1976	Keith Waters	Carmen Piccone
2004	Jim Dabrowski	Eric Hamilton	1990	Mike Tierney	Eric Hamilton	1975	Doug Prefach	Carmen Piccone
2003	Scott Paterson	Eric Hamilton	1989	Bob McGinty	Eric Hamilton	1974	Eric Hamilton	Dick Curl
2002	Tim Kosuda	Eric Hamilton	1988	Mike Wargo	Eric Hamilton	1973	William Paskewich	Pete Carmichael
2001	Mike Wendell	Eric Hamilton	1987	Joe Clifton	Eric Hamilton	1967	Robert Taylor	Bob Salois
2000	Curt Monday	Eric Hamilton	1986	Ernie Liberati	Eric Hamilton	1965	George Strattman	Bob Salois

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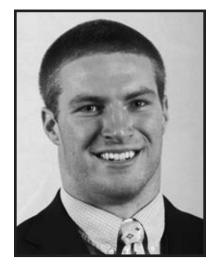
## JUDGE ARTHUR LANE SCHOLAR-LEADER-ATHLETE MIKE ZEULI • PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Accolades are nothing new to Mike Zeuli.

The South Jersey Defensive Player of the Year as a senior at Cherokee High School, Zeuli continued to earn honors during his career at Princeton University.

As a senior this past season, Zeuli was awarded the Bushnell Cup as the Ivy League Co-Defensive Player of the Year. He was also awarded the Poe-Kazmaier Trophy by Princeton, which is annually considered the top award for a Princeton player. It is awarded to that member of the Princeton football team of good moral character who, during the season in addition to proving himself a player of ability, has best exemplified the following traits and characteristics: loyalty and devotion to Princeton's football interests, courage, manliness, self-control and modesty, perseverance and determination under discouraging conditions, observance of the rules of the game and fairness towards opponents.

In addition, Zeuli was named one of the Division 1AA Collegiate Players of the Year by the BrooksIrvine Club of South Jersey.





This past season as a linebacker, Zeuli was second in the Ivy League with 87 tackles and led the

league in tackles for loss with 16.5, helping Princeton to a 5-5 overall record and a 4-3 mark in the Ivy League.

As a junior, Zeuli was named a Second-Team All-Ivy selection and finished the season with a team-high 72 tackles, which included 5.5 for loss as well as 4.5 sacks. Zeuli was a starting nickel cornerback as a sophomore and finished with 34 tackles, including 12 in a comeback win over Harvard.

	P	ast Princeton Uni	versity Sch	olar-Athletes	
Year	Nominee	Coach	Year	Nominee	Coach
2013	Phil Bhaya	Bob Surace	1988	Greg DiFelice	Steve Tosches
2012	Andrew Starks	Bob Surace	1987	David Wilson	Steve Tosches
2011	Ivan Charbonneau	Bob Surace	1986	Rob DiGiacomo	Ron Rogerson
2010	Matt Zimmerman	Bob Surace	1985	James Petrucci	Ron Rogerson
2009	Daniel M. Kopolovich	Roger Hughes	1984	Mark Berggren	Frank Navarro
2008	Ryan Coyle	Roger Hughes	1983	Kevin Guthrie	Frank Navarro
2007	Rob Toresco	Roger Hughes	1982	Brent Woods	Frank Navarro
2006	Colin McDonough	Roger Hughes	1981	Scott Oostdyk	Frank Navarro
2005	Andrew Wilson	Roger Hughes	1980	Mark Bailey	Frank Navarro
2004	Jon Veach	Roger Hughes	1979	Ted Soti	Frank Navarro
2003	Time Kirby	Roger Hughes	1978	Andy Stephens	Frank Navarro
2002	Cameron Atkinson	Roger Hughes	1977	Dave Powers	Bob Casciola
2001	Robert Ferrell	Roger Hughes	1976	Kevin Fox	Bob Casciola
2000	Mike Higgins	Roger Hughes	1975	Robert Beible	Bob Casciola
1999	David Ferrara	Steve Tosches	1974	Dale Spiegel	Bob Casciola
1998	Alex Sierk	Steve Tosches	1973	William Cronin	Bob Casciola
1997	Tim Greene	Steve Tosches	1972	John Bartges	Jake McCandless
1996	Mark Washington	Steve Tosches	1971	Paul Ondraski	Jake McCandless
1995	Carter Westfall	Steve Tosches	1970	Kirk Liddell	Jake McCandless
1994	Mark Berkowitz	Steve Tosches	1969	Keith Mauney	Jake McCandless
1993	Keith Elias	Steve Tosches	1968	Richard Sandler	Dick Coleman
1992	Steve Tufillaro	Steve Tosches	1967	Robert Weber	Dick Coleman
1991	Jonas Sheehan	Steve Tosches	1966	John Bowers	Dick Coleman
1990	Marin Graja	Steve Tosches	1965	Richard Rogers	Dick Coleman
1989	Steve Hillgeist	Steve Tosches		0	

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### DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER LITTLE SCHOLAR JOSEPH BROWN



Joseph Brown is an extraordinary 13 year old. He has impressed so many who have interacted with him in his academic and athletic endeavors. He is currently in 8th grade at New Egypt Middle School, where he has been designated a leader by a vote of his peers, coaches and teachers. It is hard to imagine where he finds the time to not only participate, but get involved and become an active member of the organizations he joins. Free time is not in his vocabulary. He is a young man who believes that anything worth doing is worth doing 100% AND helping others at the same time. More importantly, he really enjoys helping the younger kids with football and wrestling and hopes to become a Coach someday, like his Dad. His parents Jim and Michele are his role models and he looks up to his sister Paige while competing with his twin sister Julia on a daily basis. His family not only encourages him to be his best, but he wants to be his best for them.

Joe's academic record is impressive. He has been an honor roll student every year throughout elementary and middle school. He was named to the National Pop Warner Scholar Team for the 2012 season as well as being selected for the New Egypt Middle School Leadership Award in 2013 for wrestling. He was also nominated by his teachers

for the Warrior PAL program, assisting new students as they enter school.

Joe is also a solid football player. He has played quarterback and linebacker along with numerous other positions during his seven years in the New Egypt Pop Warner Football program. He was selected team captain the last three years. During this time, NEPW has made the Burlington County playoffs every season, including 3 division titles, 1 Burl Co title and post season play in the Eastern Region Championships and the Garden State games. He enjoys being a part of a team and believes in working together to achieve team goals. He also competes for the middle school wrestling team and lacrosse team.

More importantly, he has also found time to give back to the his community. Along with other members of the BCPW, he has helped to collect supplies for soldiers, food bank donations, participated in the Autism Awareness and Breast Cancer Awareness programs. He is a volunteer for the league when hosting the Eastern Region Championships and weekly programs doing field prep and equipment cleaning.



HIs future goals include being involved in racing, perhaps attending a school with a NASCAR affiliation. With such an impressive resume at such an early age, there is no doubt whatever he decides, he will work hard and be successful. It is easy to see why Joseph Brown is this year's recipient of the Delaware Valley Chapter Little Scholar Award.

Past Delaware Valley/Pop Warner Little Scholars							
2013	Nick Kloutis Hamilton PAL	2008	Brian Schoenauer, WW-P Pop Warner	2005	Michael Garofola Hamilton Pop Warner	2001	Daniel Clark Hillsborough Dukes
2012	Will James Hamilton PAL	2007	David Dudeck III, Burlington County	2004	Ryan McDermott Hamilton Pop Warner	2000	Bassil Salmon East Windsor PAL
2011	Kyle Liedtka Hamilton Pop Warner	2006	Pop Warner Connor McElwee,	2003	James Bea Hillsborough Dukes	1999	Robert Damiano Hamilton Pop Warner
2010	Carson Vey Hopewell Valley Pop Warner		West Windsor Wildcats	2002	Marc Zamarin Hillsborough Dukes	1998	Ryan Biolsi Flemington Pop Warner
2009	Harvey E. Butler III, WW-P Pop Warner				SAL.	1997	Jason Auletta Hamilton Pop Warner
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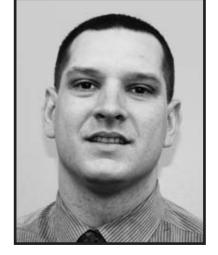
## HANK JOHNS COACH OF THE YEAR **JAY GRABER • ALLENTOWN**

Success on the gridiron is nothing new to Allentown High head coach Jay Graber. As a player at Notre Dame High School, Graber was a record-setting quarterback for the Irish and became one of the best signal callers in Mercer County history. Now, in just five years at the helm, Graber has established the Redbirds as a premier program in the area and himself as one of the finest young coaches in the state.

Allentown enjoyed its best season in school history last fall as it won nine games, reached the state playoffs for the fourth straight season, and earned its first state sectional championship appearance. A worthy candidate for the Hank Johns Coach of the Year Award ever since his rookie campaign on the sidelines, the Delaware Valley Chapter is proud to recognize Graber as this year's recipient.

The Redbirds season began with a shutout win at Graber's alma mater, followed by three more convincing wins before a last-second defeat versus South Jersey power Lenape. They lost two weeks later against another SJ Group IV foe, Rancocas Valley, but then hit their stride when the calendar turned to November.

Graber's squad handed defending CJ III champ and unbeaten Hopewell Valley a resounding



38-14 setback and then defeated playoff-bound Trenton, 31-16, before opening the Group III South playoffs with an easy win over Cumberland. The Redbirds edged Central Regional in the semifinals to advance to the first championship game in school history. There, Allentown rallied from a 14-point deficit against two-time defending champion Delsea Regional to force overtime, but dropped a 42-35 heartbreaker in the rain at Rowan University.



Graber's tenure at Allentown, which actually began with a 9-0 freshman football campaign in 2009, has proven that he can build and sustain a winning program at a school that had experienced hardly any football success in its history. In his first season, the Redbirds went 6-4 for the school's first winning season in 43 years. He followed that up with another 6-4 season, this time taking the team to the playoffs for the first time in school history.

Year three was a program-best nine-win season for the Redbirds, which included the school's first playoff win in history, and they returned for a third straight trip to the postseason in 2013. But it was last fall's squad, led by 12th Man TD Club Player of the Year Michael Curry, which cemented the program as one of the area's best, led by one of the area's best coaches.

Prior to his coaching days, Graber played quarterback at both Hofstra University and Bryant University, leading Bryant to a 7-4 record in its first season as a Division I program in 2008. He is a math and special education teacher at Allentown, where he also serves as the head

varsity boys' basketball coach and spring season weight room advisor.

Graber is engaged to Briann McDonough, who also teaches at Allentown HS. The eldest of Joe and Diane Graber's three children, he has two sisters, Jenna, 31 and Joanna, 27. Jenna played basketball at the Peddie School and LaSalle University, while Joanna played basketball at Notre Dame High School and Alvernia University.

#### **Past Hank Johns Memorial Coach of the Year Recipients**

2013	Dave Caldwell, Hopewell Valley
2012	Jon Adams, Nottingham Joe Frappolli, Florence
2011	Dan Caruso, Steinert
2010	Luke Sinkhorn, New Egypt
2009	Chappy Moore Notre Dame
2008	Dave Caldwell, Hopewell Valley
2007	Matthew Perotti, Hunterdon Central
2006	Tom Hoglen

om Hoglen Hamilton West 2005 Todd Smith, WWP South 2004 Ken Mills, Lawrenceville 2003 Joe Frappolli, Florence 2002 Kevin Kelly, Conwell Egan 2001 Frank deLaurentis, Peddie 2000 Frank Gatto, Steinert 1999 Jon Adams, Nottingham

- 1998 Jim Meert,
- Hunterdon Central
- 1997 Len Weister, Lawrence
- 1996 Keith Hartbauer, Hamilton
- 1995 Charlie Pirrello,
- North Burlington

- 1994 Jerry Eure, Pennington 1993 Ken Keuffel. Lawrenceville
- 1992 Keith Wadsworth,
- Princeton
- 1991 Joe Frappolli, Florence
- 1990 Harold Beatty, Trenton
- 1989 Tim Hadden,
- Burlington Twp.
- 1988 John Mackay, Peddie
- 1987 Tom Stuart, WWP
- 1986 Kurt Vollherbst, Princeton 1975 Sam Jefferis,
- 1985 Bill Long, Pennington
- 1984 Mike Ortman, Morrisville

- 1983 Chappy Moore, Notre Dame
- 1982 Pete Quinn, Trenton
- 1981 Bruce Martz, Ewing
- 1980 Jim Walker,
- Princeton Day
- 1979 Bruce Martz, Ewing
- 1978 Bill Long, Princeton
- 1977 Bob Hart, Bensalem
- 1976 Chappy Moore,
- Notre Dame
- South Hunterdon

## Scholar·Leader·Athlete Awards Dinner CONTRIBUTION TO YOUTH FOOTBALL SCOTT STANTON



When you meet Scott Stanton you realize right away that he is not your typical "volunteer". Not one to get involved only part way, he usually jumps right in and hits the ground running. A former Ewing police officer, he currently works as the Campus Safety Officer at Hopewell Valley Central High School. For the past seven years, he has been involved with Hopewell Valley Pop Warner where not surprisingly, he has worked with another "volunteer" David Caldwell, the current Head Football Coach at HV. Scott was first introduced to Pop Warner in 2007 as most parents do, realizing there weren't enough parents willing to make the commitment to coach. He started at the youngest level and has slowly moved along through the program, experiencing the satisfaction of watching young people grow and develop as they improve as players on the field. During this time coaching his sons, it only took five years until he was coaxed to become President of the Hopewell Valley Pop Warner program, where he has productively served for the past two years. Being an active member of the Burlington County Pop Warner League, he was asked to serve as a Commissioner, something he has done for over three years. But that is only part of the story.

For Scott, the countless hours of involvement was not enough. Under his leadership, his initiatives have enhanced the program for all the participants. He has spearheaded a spring football league to introduce the sport of football to many youngsters. In the inaugural season over 100 players signed up. This six week program was successful because of the emphasis on safely learning the fundamentals of football in a fun and competitive environment. Enrollment in the league has continually increased under Scott's leadership, largely due to his insistence on developing safe and healthy practices. He has secured continuing education for all coaches, emphasizing proper tackling techniques and drills. He has also taken the lead on upgrading equipment with a purchasing program featuring new helmets for the entire league. He has just "volunteered" to participate in a Pop Warner supported program with Unequal Technologies that will feature the use of Kevlar helmet liners.

More importantly, Scott Stanton is a special person. He understands the value of giving back to the community as evidenced by the financial commitment of \$25,000 the HVPW has made to help fund the high school field. He is a coach in the Hopewell Valley Lacrosse League. A former athlete and graduate of Ewing High School, he has been around athletics in the Delaware Valley all his life. Scott and his wife are the proud parents of three children Kelty, James and Jack.

They can be seen during the fall on the many fields in the Hopewell Valley. It is because of people like Scott Stanton that our youth learn those values needed to succeed. The Delaware Valley Chapter of the National Football Foundation is proud to recognize Scott Stanton with our Contribution to Youth Football Award.



#### Past Contribution to Youth Football Award Recipients

2013 Jim O'Rourke
2012 Terrance Stokes
2011 Jon Butler
2010 Andrew Aromando
2009 Fiore Masci

2008	Charles "Chuck" Moon
2007	Mike Brodock
2006	Dennis Todd
2005	Paul Sumners

2004	John Knapp
2003	Paul Fletcher
2002	Mark Clements
2001	Greg Neiderman

2000	Cindy Allen
1999	Bud Ralston
1998	Ferguson Reaves
1997	Henry Cole

## JACK MILLARD MEMORIAL FOOTBALL OFFICIAL AWARD SCOTT HEISER

Prior to his becoming a football official Scott coached his children's teams in football, basketball and baseball. Scott brought a high level of energy and enthusiasm and he always strove to convey as much information as possible to the athletes.

Scott acknowledges those were arguably the most rewarding days, not just to have been on the field with his children and their teammates, but to see their faces light up when they accomplished something for the first time.

Scott joined the Football Officials Association as a cadet in 2006 and under the tutelage of Jim Wilno and Barry Cicale he became certified later that year. During the 2008 season Scott was fortunate to join John Welling's crew. He has officiated two state final games, four semifinal games and numerous quarterfinals game and is exceedingly proud of his association with the Welling crew of. Ray Stupienski, Russ Stupienski, Greg Zak and John Dupius.

Scott has been the Mercer District's Vice-Chairman since 2014 and from 2012 through 2013 he served as the Mercer District's Member-at-Large. He continues the work of his predecessor,



Ray Stupienski, to begin Mercer's transformation into a progressive model for developing officials' competency and consistency.



Scott wished to thank a number of officials that have been instrumental in his success. First, to Jim Wilno and Barry Cicale for their training and continuing education. Second, to the other Mercer referee's with whom Scott has worked and learned from, Merkle Cherry, By Crammer, Ed Gore, Bruce Nocar, Troy Stevenson and the late George Wah. He would also like to thank the elder statesmen of the District, Sam Cortina, Ron Hoehn and Vince Buccanfuso, for their advice, background and perspective in matters on and off the field.

Often Scott volunteers his officiating services for events such as the Snow Bowl that is played at MetLife Stadium to benefit the Special Olympics of New Jersey.

Scott grew up in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and attended Penn State University and later transferred to Gettysburg College, there he earned a B.A. in Business Management. The last 26 years Scott has been employed by the Wall Street investment banking firm of

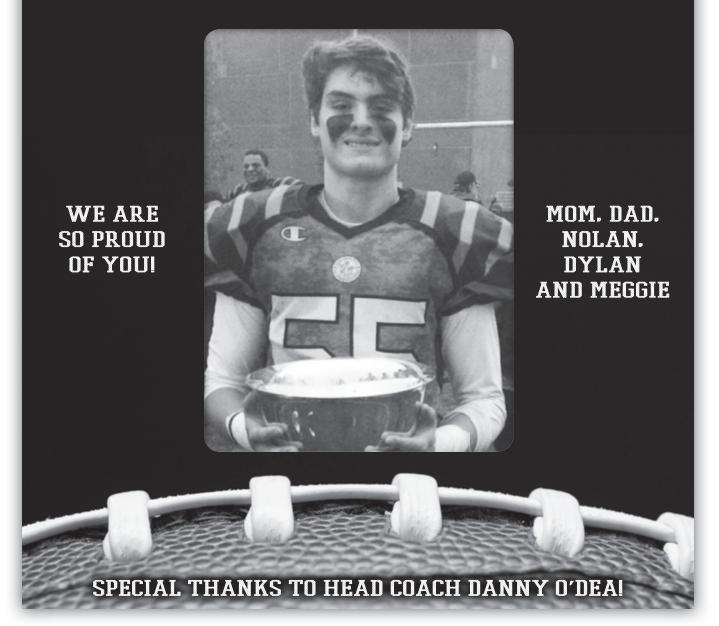
Goldman Sachs as a Vice-President in their corporate tax department. He earned an M.B.A. in Finance from the Stern Business School of New York University in 1995.

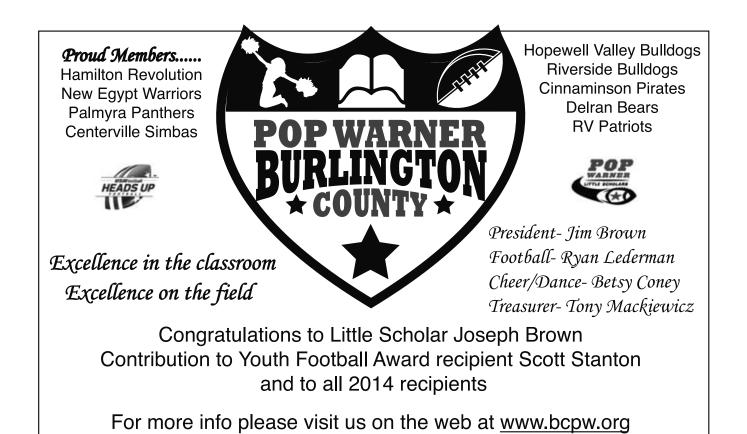
Scott and his wife, Wendy reside in Hopewell Township with their three children, Ryan, Morgan and Nicole. He feels blessed to have a loving and supportive family that is understanding and allows him to indulge his passion for football officiating and to be around the game he loves as much as possible.

Past Jack Millard Memorial Football Official Award Recipients							
2013	Tom Carr	2008	Raymond F.	1997	Merckle Cherry	1985	Jack Watro
2012	Greg Bellotti		Stupienski III	1996	Larry Gunnell	1984	Paul Chopko
2011	George Wah	2007	Jim Wilno, Jr.	1995	Barry Cicale	1983	John Zorzi
2010	James S. Moscarell	2006	Ed Harris	1994	Tom Considine	1982	Al Fullman
2009	Joe Shaw	2005	Karl "Tinker" Johnston	1993	Jim Wilno, Sr.	1981	Vince Boccanfuso
	51	2004	John Welling III	1992	Angelo Giambelluca	1980	Jack Millard
1	4	2003	Troy Stephenson	1991	John Terry	1979	George Wah
13		2002	Al Verdel	1990	John Sheets	1978	Norm Van Arsdalen
		2001	Vince Boccanfuso	1989	Byron Crammer	1977	Chuck Schroeder
100	(FR	2000	Tim Teel	1988	Ernie Coluccio	1976	Jake Bartolino
	AND	1999	Jim Cleary	1987	Ron Hoehn	1975	Sam Cortina
Ţ	YANNA	1998	Tom McCreesh	1986	Jim Wilno, Jr.	1974	Tony Mascherin



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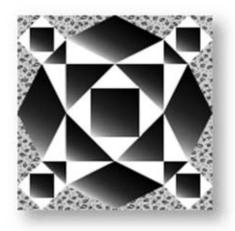
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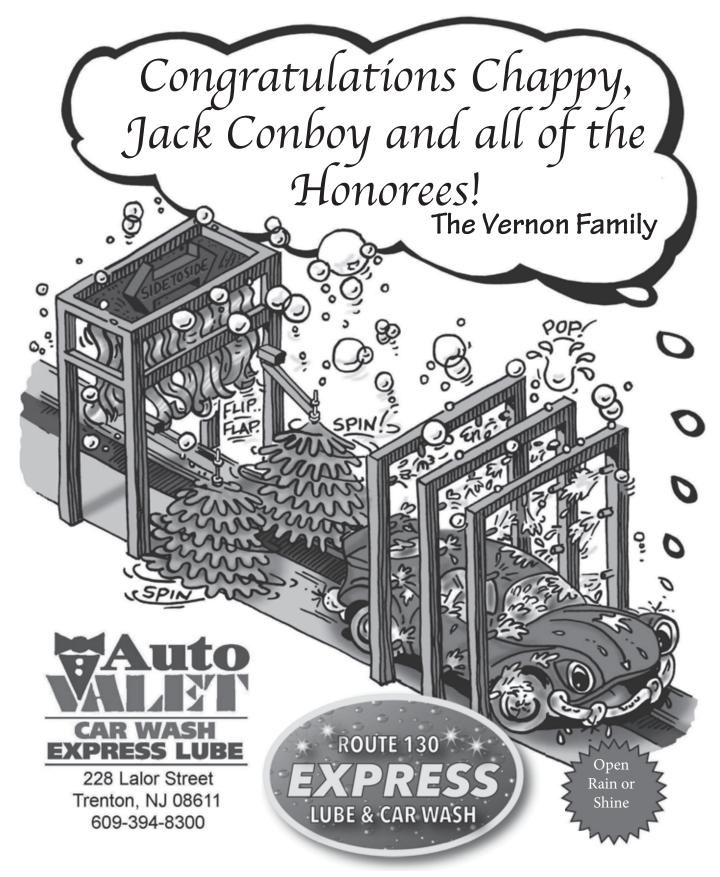
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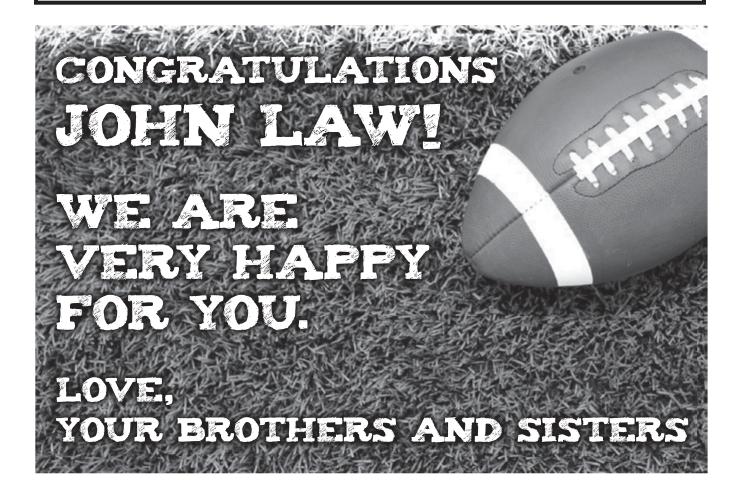
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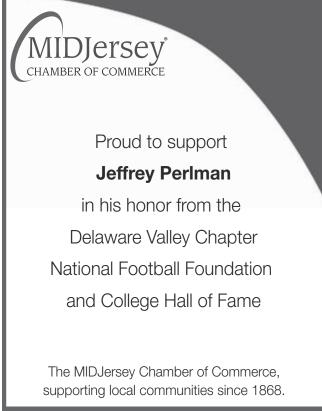
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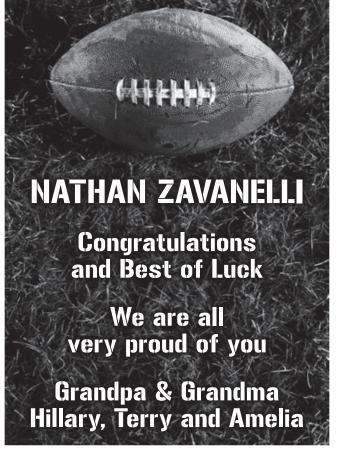
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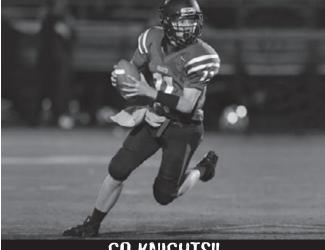
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